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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DESIGNING A  
TECHNICAL SYSTEM

Examiner: K. Thangavelu

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 4, 2005.  
Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.